

City Hall Blue Ribbon Committee

Meeting #1 Summary

July 29, 2020

Zoom Video Meeting

CHBRC Present: Val Ballestrem, Ernestina Fuenmayor, April Gracz, Alicia Hamilton, Martha Germany, Greg Hemer, Haley McCoy, Tory McVay, Tracy Orvis, Wilda Parks, Mark Stehn, Nancy Tice

CHBRC Absent: Donna Baten

City Staff: Scott Stauffer, Alison Wicks

Audience: Margaret Branson, Elvis Clark

The meeting was called to order 6:05 p.m.

Welcome and Introductions

The group discussed meeting logistics and all attendees introduced themselves.

City Hall Site History and Virtual Tour

Mr. Stauffer provided a history and photographic tour of the City Hall site. **Ms. Fuenmayor** asked that staff provide the committee with a floor plan of the City Hall building.

Committee Role and Charter

Ms. Wicks reviewed the committee's charge and the proposed committee charter document. She presented proposed ground rules for committee interactions.

The group discussed whether to adopt the charter at the present meeting and whether the charter should refer to state historic preservation "requirements," "regulations," "guidelines," or "processes." They noted that the North Clackamas School District's (NCS D's) predecessor district, when it had sold the City Hall site to the city in 1937, had placed a restriction on the deed that part of the property be maintained as a park. The group agreed that the charter's historic preservation reference needed to be reworded and a commitment to investigate all legal requirements on the site should be added.

It was moved by **Ms. Hamilton** and seconded by **Mr. Hemer** to adopt the charter with the two noted corrections. After group discussion as to process, **Ms. Hamilton** withdrew her motion to allow the group time to consider the charter and look at adopting it at the committee's next meeting.

Ms. Wicks reviewed the project timeline for the committee's meeting and public engagement work. The group discussed how the committee could conduct community engagement work during the pandemic while observing social distancing requirements. The group participated in a brainstorming activity and submitted their comments to staff via the Zoom chat. **Ms. Tice** suggested that the Milwaukie Masonic Lodge be asked to participate in the process.

Ms. Fuenmayor commented on how to best present a photographic tour of the building. **Ms. Wicks** and **Mr. Stauffer** agreed with the need to develop a virtual site tour.

Wrap-Up and Next Steps

The group noted next logistical steps and that the next meeting would likely be in September 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.